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BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION
Arizona Corporation Commission

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WILLIAM A. MUNDELL
Chairman
JIM IRVIN
Commissioner
MARC SPITZER
Commissioner

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IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT APPLICATION
OF TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY,)
AN ARIZONA CORPORATION, AND TRICO)
ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., AN ARIZONA)
CORPORATION, FOR AN ORDER APPROVING)
A BORDERLINE AGREEMENT)

DOCKET NOS. E-01461A-02-0222
E-01933A-02-0222

DECISION NO. 65206ORDER

Open Meeting
September 17 and 18, 2002
Phoenix, Arizona

BY THE COMMISSION:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On March 25, 2002, Trico Electric Power Cooperative ("Trico") and Tucson Electric Power Company ("TEP") filed a joint application that would allow Trico to serve property owned by United Community Health Center, Maria Auxiliadora ("Health Center") which is located within the certificated area of TEP.

2. Both TEP and Trico are engaged in providing electric service within portions of Pima County, Arizona, pursuant to the authority granted by the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission").

3. The Health Center property is located within TEP's certificated area. However, Trico has existing facilities along the southern boundary of the Health Center property.

4. On March 20, 2002, Trico and TEP entered into a Borderline Agreement whereby TEP has authorized Trico to serve the Health Center property by an extension of Trico's facilities.

5. TEP's nearest existing facilities are located approximately 700 feet from the property. Per TEP's service tariff, the property owner would incur approximately \$9,000 in costs to extend the TEP facilities to serve the property.

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7. Under the terms of the borderline agreement, TEP has reserved the right to provide service to the Health Center property when TEP determines that it is economical to do so. In the event TEP elects to provide service, TEP will compensate Trico for any Trico facilities used to provide such service.

9. Staff believes that the borderline agreement will allow the property owner to obtain service at a lower cost, provide Trico with additional revenue, and provide TEP with the opportunity to serve the customer once the Company has installed adjacent facilities.

1. TEP and Trico are public service corporations within the meaning of Article XV, Section 2, of the Arizona Constitution.

3. The Commission, having reviewed the application, the Borderline Agreement, and the Staff Memorandum dated August 26, 2002, concludes that the Borderline Agreement is in the public interest and should be approved.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the joint application of Tucson Electric Power Company and Trico Cooperative, Inc. for approval of the Borderline Agreement to serve the United Community Health Center, Maria Auxiliadora, an Arizona nonprofit corporation, is in the public interest and is hereby approved.

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1 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Tucson Electric Power notify the Utilities Division at least
2 sixty days prior to providing service to the United Community Health Center, Maria Auxiliadora, an
3 Arizona nonprofit corporation, property.

4 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.

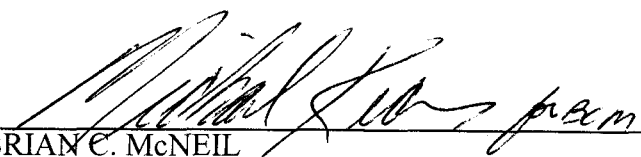
6 **BY ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION**

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9 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, BRIAN C. McNEIL, Executive
10 Secretary of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have
11 hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this
12 Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of
13 Phoenix, this 20TH day of SEPT., 2002.

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BRIAN C. McNEIL
15 Executive Secretary

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